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SUBJECT: PRIVACY ACT--RELEASE OF INFORMATION TO FBI
1. AS YOU KNOW, FBI IS CONDUCTING EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION INTO FACTS SURROUNDING THE DEATH OF CONGRESSMAN LEO RYAN. IN ORDER TO CONDUCT AS THOROUGH INVESTIGATION AS POSSIBLE, FBI NEEDS FULL ACCESS TO ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS MAINTAINED BY DEPARTMENT AND AMEMBASSY GUYANA.
2. FBI HAS SENT US A LETTER SIGNED BY DIRECTOR WEBSTER REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT "TO MAKE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW BY SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE FBI ANY CORRESPONDENCE YOUR DEPARTMENT MAY POSSESS RELATING TO THE PEOPLES TEMPLE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST". THIS LETTER ALLOWS FOR A LEGITIMATE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION UNDER THE (B)(7) PROVISION OF

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THE PRIVACY ACT. EMBASSY IS THUS AUTHORIZED TO FULLY COOPERATE WITH FBI THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE INVESTIGATION BY RELEASING ALL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE PEOPLES TEMPLE.
3. SUBSECTION (C) OF THE PRIVACY ACT REQUIRES AGENCIES TO ACCOUNT FOR ALL DISCLOSURES OF INFORMATION. THE ACCOUNTING MUST CONTAIN THE DATE, NATURE, AND PURPOSE OF EACH DISCLOSURE, AND THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE AGENCY TO WHOM THE INFORMATION WAS DISCLOSED. POST NEED NOT MARK EACH DOCUMENT THAT IS DISCLOSED, BUT RATHER NEEDS ONLY TO ANNOTATE THE FILE THAT INFORMATION WAS DISCLOSED TO FBI PURSUANT TO LAW ENFORCEMENT INVESTIGATION.
4. SHOULD POST HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ON PRIVACY ACT MATTERS. PLEASE NOTIFY FADRC. VANCE
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